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## Interior Decorations.

Make it a point to be on Broad street this morning and see our magnificent window display of Interior Decorations for winter homes.

We are satisfied that the samples in the windows will draw you irresistibly to the third floor, where ALL the beauties are displayed.

Take the eastern window, for example—the Table Covers, Piano Covers, Centrepieces, etc., are not merely pieces of upholstery—they are works of art—conceptions that perhaps you've never dreamed of outside the rare and high-priced works of old-time French and German masters.

These articles are purely and solely American—new art and purer in its ideas of genuine beauty than anything which comes from abroad.

These handsome pieces are made of velvet of fine quality and in all shades, on which is applied burnt leather in artistic designs. Every bit of the work on them is done by hand, and no one but a true artist could conceive and execute work like this.

We can make them in any style, design or color to harmonize with your other decorations.

Who doesn't love a cosy corner? Nobody—at least everybody will like them after seeing the samples we show in the window and in our upholstery department.

The beauty of a cosy corner lies as much in the way it's arranged as in what it contains. We are specialists in all work of this kind.

The practice of using Druggists in preference to Carports is growing rapidly—wise practice it is, too—less trouble and certainly better from a sanitary standpoint.

There's not a finer collection south of — we were going to say the Potomac river, but as far as choice of pattern and lowness of price goes, we'll not except any place. We can serve you just as well in this store as if you went north—better, in fact, as they'd charge you more than we do.

Axminster, 9x12 feet, \$27.50.  
Wiltons, 9x12 feet, \$42.50 and \$45.00.  
Moquette Rugs, 3x6 feet, very superior qualities and handsome designs, \$3.98.

Any Lace Curtain—no matter what its value—gives a certain air of refinement to a room.

Our Curtain stock this year is one of surpassing beauty of design and richness of quality.

Isn't the display in the western window just about the most artistic ever seen in Richmond? You can have the same in your home and at a moderate expense.

Irish Point Lace Curtains—real lace, mind you—imported from Switzerland—strong Brussels net, with handsome edges and borders—some have motif and all-over designs—\$7.50.

Arabian Lace and Marie Antoinette Curtains, 3 1/2 yards long, at \$5.50 a pair. Double twisted cable net with hand-made lace trim.

Point de Luxe Curtains, of close mesh Brussels net, on which are embroidered graceful designs—\$4.50.

Louis XV. Lace Curtains, on strong cable net, with edges and insertions of Renaissance lace. Some of them have Renaissance motifs in the corner—\$4.50.

Dentelle Arab Lace Curtains—skilful reproductions of hand-made Arabian lace—made in the same coloring and ornamented with the cord of the Russian lace—\$2.98.

Nottingham Curtains, made on a strong net—graceful and artistic in design—\$1.98.

After a wedding luncheon Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Tackler, of New York, arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Tackler, of New York, at 4 o'clock.

The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Adele Clark, Mr. Stephen Callaghan, of New York, acted as best man. There were present intimate friends residing in the Richmond and New York city.

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## CAROLINA PORTLAND CEMENT CO.,

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Largest Manufacturers, Importers and Distributors of PORTLAND AND ROSENDALE CEMENT, LIME AND BUILDING MATERIAL IN THE UNITED STATES.

Lowest delivered prices quoted, on application, on Standard Brands, in cargo lots, carload lots, small lots, to any point in America. Full stocks at interior mills; also at Baltimore, Md.; Newport News, Va.; Norfolk, Va.; Portsmouth, Va.; Wilmington, N. C.; Charleston, S. C.; Savannah, Ga.; Fernandina, Fla.; Jacksonville, Fla.; Pensacola, Fla.; Mobile, Ala.; New Orleans, La.; Galveston, Tex.; Birmingham, Ala.; and Atlanta, Ga. Write for our prices.

Landonia Dashiell will be among the Richmond guests at the Quaker-hill house wedding, taking place at 4 P. M. to-day in All Angels' Church, New York.

Miss Lizzie E. Joseph and Mrs. M. E. Hoyle are in Plymouth, to attend the Graves-Lankford wedding.

Mrs. Elise Whitner Law and children are the guests of Mrs. Law's brother, Mr. Willie Whitner, on West Grace Street.

Miss Lottie Garrett, of Williamsburg, Va., attended the annual meeting of the A. P. V. A. Tuesday evening last.

The annual meeting of the Richmond Assembly will be held Friday evening in the Masonic Temple, at 8:15 o'clock.

Mrs. E. P. Terhune is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Hawes, at "Hawthorne," Union Theological Seminary.

Mrs. Hawes will be at home to-day from 4:30 to 6 P. M. in honor of Mrs. Terhune, whose Richmond friends are always delighted when they are offered the opportunity of meeting her.

Miss Hawes and Miss Durrell will receive with Mrs. Hawes and Mrs. Terhune.

"The Cavalier," the new Richmond weekly, has been taken into well merited favor. The second issue was particularly attractive, the different departments being well filled with news, attractive matter, presented in bright and graphic shape.

"The Cavalier" commends itself in every way to the Richmond reading public.

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## An Open Letter.

October 21, 1903.  
Hon. William M. Turpin, President of the Board of Aldermen, and Members of the Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners:

My Dear Sir—Your well known ability and recognized acumen subject you to this call upon your judgment and must excuse your questioner.

An interesting question has arisen, and I desire to enlist your interest in its proper settlement.

It may be briefly stated thus: An act of the Legislature, approved March 7, 1903, reads as follows:

1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia, That any municipal corporation having issued bonds under any previous act shall have the power and authority, and the same is hereby conferred upon them, to provide by ordinance for the redemption and liquidation of said bonds, upon their falling due, or upon their becoming subject to call, or otherwise, by the issuance of new bonds.

2. And provided further, that the proceeds of the sale of the new bonds so issued shall be used only in the payment of the old bonds, subject to call, redemption, or otherwise, or those that may become subject to call, redemption, or otherwise maturing; provided, that the bonds issued under this act shall be payable in lawful money of the United States, and that a proper sinking fund shall be created and maintained for the redemption of such bonds.

It is "claimed," or, I might say, "it is alleged," that this act cannot be construed as "mandatory" provisions of its charter, which require the "application" of any funds for redemption (on hand) to the immediate cash liquidation of maturing bonds, and the support of this "claim" or "allegation," the decision of the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia, rendered January 27, 1903, is cited. The "case" is "Norfolk City vs. Norfolk Landmark Publishing Company and others," 55th Virginia.

In the chapter on "Cities and Towns," Code of 1887, section 1048, the Legislature is careful to say that the chapter "shall not" amend charters except in certain particulars. Why do they say "shall not" amend the chapter "amend" with these words out?

But the acts of 1902-'03, extra session, chapter on Cities and Towns, page 446, and section 1048, also takes the precaution to say that the chapter does not amend charters, etc., except, etc., etc.

As though it was necessary to say "does not" to prevent it from doing it.

But the very decision cited in support of the "claim," or "allegation," declares that "in case of such a conflict, the general law must be 'construed' to repeal the provisions of the charter," and adds later on these significant words: "Charters of cities are subject to repeal, and any abuse of the powers granted can, therefore, be corrected at any time by the paramount authority of the Legislature."

Pardon me for quoting in conclusion the words of Dillon:

Dillon, page 113, section 87, which declares that it is a principle of very extensive operation that a charter of a general nature does not repeal by implication, charters and special acts, passed for the benefit of particular municipalities; but they do so when this appears to have been the purpose of the Legislature." (Act, March, 1903.)

Please note that the "act" is five years after the opinion, and that a new State Constitution intervenes.

Your kind attention and reply will greatly oblige.

Yours very truly,  
CARLTON MCARTHY.

DAILY FASHION HINTS.

LADIES' COAT.

One of the newest models for fall is the rather long loose coat, to which additional charm is given by the circular capes.

In the design shown here the back is quite full and the front is the regulation shape. The sleeve may be in flowing or bishop style. The collar is held in position by the use of a stole facing, thereby affording a place for a bit of decoration in trimming, which may be of passementerie, crocheted rings, tassels or buttons. This will give an air of distinction to the coat, and need not cost much, so that one will be able to

have a very pretty coat and at a slight expense.

For fall wear nothing could be neater or prettier than this style. There are no intricate in the pattern; in fact, any one possessing ordinary skill can make a most comfortable, serviceable garment, and at much less cost than the ready-made garments.

Tussock, tweed, broadcloth, serge, chevot or peau de brete are materials used for such purposes.

No. 6,080—Sizes 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42 inches bust measure.

On receipt of 10 cents this pattern will be sent to any address. All orders must be directed to THE LITTLE FOLKS PATTERNS CO., 75 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK. When ordering, please do not fail to mention number.

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## SUCCESS IN MANCHESTER

Crowds Flocking to Bazaar at Masonic Temple.

PRETTY RECEPTION ON BOOTH

Fitzgerald Gets Four Years After Pleading Guilty—Confederate Veterans Hold Meeting—Alleged Murder Case To-Day.

Manchester Bureau Times-Dispatch, 1 No. 1102 Hull Street.

The reception booth at the Masonic Bazaar is, indeed, a bower of beauty, presided over by a bevy of charming ladies, whose smiles cannot be resisted when they suggest that the flowers and sofa pillows on exhibition are not merely for exhibition purposes.

This bower of beauties is headed by Mrs. John H. Shotwell, with a number of assistants, including Mrs. Judge Ingram, Mrs. Ben P. Owen, the Misses Yaden, the Misses Jeanne Knowles, Bessie Gill, the Misses O'Brien and Miss Aileen, of Petersburg.

Mrs. Duffron and her assistants at the furniture booth are showing in his business, and the minute a man shows himself in that direction he finds it a pleasure to turn over his pocket-book to the ladies.

A man takes all kinds of chances when he goes into the charmed circle, but they are chances he is only too glad to take. The program of last night was exceptionally fine. Miss Devereux, of Richmond, delighted with several beautiful selections on the piano. Her touch was magnetic and her technique superb.

The Independent Masonic Club of young men gave a fine entertainment. They played a number of popular pieces and several classical numbers.

To-night Miss Kiddwell's dancing class of girls will endeavor to lend an attraction to the bazaar, and to-morrow night Captain Frank W. Cunningham will sing.

The Country Store, in charge of Mrs. Betty and Mrs. Jones, is doing a fine business, and will add a whole lot of lucre to the general fund.

On Saturday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock the regular meeting of the Confederate Veterans will be held at the Masonic Temple for the benefit of the children, when Mrs. Shotwell will present a surprise which she has in store for them.

There is not the slightest doubt of the established success of the bazaar. It is a most pleasing place to spend a few hours.

In the annex, those who have charge of the restaurant and ice-cream saloons are doing good business. This department is being patronized regularly by those men, women and light refreshments. Those in charge of the supper and ice-cream room are:

Mrs. J. A. Lipscomb, chairman; Mrs. W. M. Allen, Mrs. L. Moody, Mrs. John Walther, Mrs. Joe Perdue, Mrs. Emmet Cheatham, Mrs. Lindsey, Misses Stille Clayton, Burton, Sadie Clark, Pearl Tiller, Bell Walton, Rosa Walther, Ada Jennings, Mattie Perdue, Ruby Lipscomb, Mrs. Goodman.

The bazaar will continue all this week and into the next.

VERMILION ORGANIZATION.

A preliminary meeting of the Confederate veterans was held last night at Ninth and Hull Streets, and the question of reorganizing the Joseph Johnston Camp was discussed. Another meeting will be held at the Masonic Temple on Saturday evening at 8 o'clock to perfect the organization, and it is hoped that there will be a full attendance.

FITZGERALD GOT FOUR YEARS.

Frank H. Fitzgerald pleaded guilty to two charges of forgery in the Corporation Court yesterday, and was given two years in the penitentiary in each case. The other cases were nolle prosequed.

Colonel B. O. James, his counsel, made a plea for mercy, and Judge Clifton, from the bench, said that the remorse suffered by Fitzgerald during the past two years was equal to forty years' punishment in the penitentiary.

Judge Gregory did not push the cases, and asked for conviction upon but two indictments. In each case he was given the minimum time.

Fitzgerald's health is bad, and it is quite likely that an effort to secure his pardon will be made before he has served half his term.

The court-room was filled with interested spectators, friends of the prisoner, and not one of the faces bore other than expressions of sorrow, both for Fitzgerald and his family. The term of imprisonment will begin this week.

LAWDER-BROWN.

The marriage of Mr. Harry Melville Lawder, of Richmond, and Miss Annie Dunn Brown, of Manchester, will take place at 8 o'clock this morning, at the home of the bride's parents, No. 823 Bainbridge Street. Immediately after which the couple will leave for an extended trip North.

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